



UNITED NATIONS
Office for Outer Space Affairs

Announcement of Opportunity

United Nations Human Space Technology Initiative
Zero-Gravity Instrument Project

Applications for 2015

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (OOSA) is pleased to announce the opportunity for the Zero-Gravity Instrument Project (ZGIP) as part of the Human Space Technology Initiative (HSTI) under the framework of the United Nations Programme on Space Applications.

ZGIP is aimed at contributing to the promotion around the world of space education and research in microgravity, particularly for enhancing capacity-building activities in developing countries and countries with economies in transition. Under this Project, a fixed number of microgravity simulation instruments called clinostats will be distributed free of charge to qualified schools, universities, research centres and institutes around the world.

On behalf of the United Nations, it is my pleasure to extend this invitation, through you, to your Government to nominate highly qualified individuals to submit an application. For this purpose, I would highly appreciate it if you would transmit these documents to the appropriate governmental, academic and research institutions at your earliest convenience.

Further information about ZGIP, including the application requirements and forms, are available electronically from our website at <http://www.oosa.unvienna.org/oosa/en/SAP/hsti/index.html>. To be considered for the selection process, the completed application form must be received at the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs by no later than 30 April 2015.

Thank you very much for your assistance and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Takao Doi".

United Nations Expert on Space Applications

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